

REMARKS

In response to the Office Action of June 8, 2007, Claims 1, 7, 10, 11, 20-21 and 27-29 have been amended and claims 6 and 19 have been canceled. Claims 1-5, 7-18 and 20-29 are pending. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application and withdrawal of the rejections.

In paragraphs 2-3 on page 2 of the Office Action, claim 10 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicants regard as the invention

Applicants traverse the rejection, but in the interest of expediting prosecution have amended claim 10 to overcome the rejection.

In paragraphs 4 on page 2 of the Office Action, claims 1-4, 11-15, 22 and 27-29 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Foster in view of Tsai.

In paragraphs 5 on page 6 of the Office Action, claims 5, 8, 16-18 and 24-25 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Foster in view of Tsai and further in view of Adams.

In paragraphs 6 on page 6 of the Office Action, claims 9 and 26 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Foster in view of Tsai and further in view of Adams and Morris.

In paragraphs 7 on page 10 of the Office Action, claims 6-7, 19-21 and 23 were objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

In paragraphs 8 on page 10 of the Office Action, claim 10 was objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims and amended to overcome the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph.


Applicants traverse the rejection, but in the interest of expediting prosecution have amended the independent claims to include the language of objected to claims 6 and 19.

On the basis of the above amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the claims are in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, reconsideration of this application and its allowance are requested.

If a telephone conference would be helpful in resolving any issues concerning this communication, please contact Attorney for Applicant, David W. Lynch, at 423-757-0264.

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